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## **ABSTRACT**

Gankyrin having the amino acid sequence as set forth in SEQ ID NO: 2, or modified gankyrin comprising an amino acid sequence modified by the deletion and/or addition of one or a plurality of amino acids and/or the substitution with other amino acids in the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 2 and retaining the biological activity of gankyrin, a gene encoding it, and a method of preparing said protein and uses thereof.